

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JAN MEYERS

OF KANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 9, 1995

Mrs. MEYERS of Kansas. Mr. Speaker, I was mistakenly recorded as not voting on roll-call vote 771 on November 8, 1995. However, I had inserted my voting card in the voting machine and voted "no," but was not registered. I request that this statement appear in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD after the vote.

VETERANS DAY COMMEMORATION
OF THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF
WORLD WAR II

HON. ESTEBAN EDWARD TORRES

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. TORRES. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the men and women who served in the U.S. Armed Forces during World War II. These brave men and women fought to protect the freedoms and liberties enjoyed by every citizen of this great country. It is because of their valiant efforts that we triumphed over tyrants and dictators. It was these men and women who answered the call of our Nation to go to war. I commend these individuals for their patriotic and unselfish deeds in our Nation's time of need. We are proud of our veterans who defended the United States of America.

On November 10, 1995, the city of Montebello's Department of Parks and Recreation will join Americans across the country in concluding our commemoration of the 50th anniversary of World War II. During this year's Veterans Day ceremony we will pay tribute to the World War II veterans from the Montebello American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars posts.

Mr. Speaker, it is with honor and privilege that I ask my colleagues to join me in saluting the following veterans to whom we owe a tremendous debt:

Serving in the U.S. Army: Henry Aldana, Joe A. Alderette, Art Alvarado, Marcelino Alvarado, Richard Aragon, Gene Baldoni (E.T.O.), Henry Barrio, Ernest Bolieu, Wilfred Burnan, Albert Bustamonti, Daniel Castillo, Ralph Castillo (PAC), Oscar Celaya, John Chacon (PAC/E.T.O.), Joe Duran (E.T.O.), Telesforo Escamillo, Carlos Esqueda (E.T.O.), Alex Esquivel (E.T.O.), Robert Estrella, Jesse Flores, David Fuentes, Rosario Galindo (PAC), Alex Garcia, Manuel Garcia, Frank J. Gustelum, Fidel Guterrez, Manuel Haro, Billy Knox, Tom Laper (Army Medical Corps, E.T.O.), Marcus Lozano, Angel Magana (PAC/E.T.O.), Gregorio Martinez, Robert McGrath (PAC), Charles Meese, Joe Moreno (Army Air Force, PAC), Jack Mottola, Ernest Mungia, Leonard Mungia (Army Air Force), Al Nudo (PAC), Manuel Ocampo, Nejamin Ortega, John Osenenko (E.T.O.), Florencio Quesada, Rudolph Rangel, Alexander Renteria, Martin Renteria (E.T.O.), Phillip Rodriguez, Val Rouleau (PAC), Richard Salas (E.T.O.), Frank Saldivar (E.T.O.), Saul Sancedo, Fernando Sarabia, Charlie Seja (PAC), Joaquin Sepulveda, Robert Sera, Manuel Sevedra (PAC),

Mike Soto, Ann Vargas (WAACS), Ross Vasquez, Arturo Vega, Law Westgard (E.T.O.), and Gerald Wyckoff.

Serving in the U.S. Navy: Tony Armento, S.R. Arroyo, George Castuita, John Caudillo, Albert Couso, Wade Downing (PAC), Joseph Encinias, Robert Figuerora (IPAC/E.T.O.), Cruz Lopez, Henry Lopez (PAC), M.C. Lopez (Navy CB, PAC), Paul Mack (PAC), Father Charles Massoth, Rudolph Mezorria (PAC), Alex Sepira (E.T.O.), Richard Tafoya, Louis Tarango, Dominick Tinti (PAC), Frank Tudisco, Joe Urtusuastequi, Susanne Urtusuastequi, and Charles Weinstock (E.T.O.).

Serving in the U.S. Air Force: Ted Carmona, Fred Quinn, Joe Salas, Joseph Schiffhaver (E.T.O.), D.J. Spada, and Manuel Villegas.

Serving in the U.S. Marine Corps: Ray Franco and Anieseto Gutierrez (PAC).

Serving in the U.S. Coast Guard: Kent Armstrong, Leopoldo Cruz, and Florence Marcsak.

TRIBUTE TO BISHOP JOSEPH A.
FRANCIS

HON. DONALD M. PAYNE

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. PAYNE of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a man that I deeply respect and admire for his devotion to God, for his grace and dignity, as well as for his years of valued service to the people of this community. Bishop Joseph A. Francis, who has announced his retirement from the active ministry, has been an extremely active member of the Catholic Church since he was ordained in the Society of the Divine Word in October 1950.

Bishop Francis dedicated himself to humanity. He has been generous in giving his time to people, he has a way of making everyone in his presence feel special. He has served as both a teacher and administrator in secondary schools and colleges throughout the country. He has received numerous honorary degrees and served on the boards of trustees of many fine institutions of higher learning. His resume and list of achievements are as impressive as his bearing and his humility. As a result of his work in the community, Bishop Francis has been the recipient of numerous prestigious awards and commendations.

Bishop Francis has been and continues to be an advocate for the least fortunate members of our society. During his tenure in the archdiocese of Newark he touched many lives including mine and he has made an impression that we will never forget.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that all of my colleagues join me in paying tribute to Bishop Joseph A. Francis, a wise man and good man who achieved great things.

IN MEMORY OF WILLIAM T.
ATKINSON

HON. GLENN POSHARD

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. POSHARD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor an accomplished international re-

searcher, William T. Atkinson of Decatur, IL. William graduated from college in 1934 with a degree in chemistry, and like most chemists of his day, he started to work in a local pharmacy. On one particular day, he displayed a simple act of kindness that changed his career and his life. When word of his kindness became known to the family of the individual he had helped, they sought to return the favor not only with money but by offering William a job at Henry Ford's research laboratory. This was a young chemist's dream come true.

This opportunity presented William a whole new world in which to invent and he did so with great success. So great was his success that one day, Mr. Ford, himself, presented William with a bag of soybeans and told his bright young chemist that they—soybeans—ought to be good for something. William immediately set forth in his quest to find some beneficial use for the soybean.

Who could know at the time that so much would come from something that seemed so simple. He developed a soy fiber that was used in automobile upholstery during World War II. From 1950 to 1965, he spent his years perfecting his discovery of a textured vegetable meatlike substance called soy protein which contains 50-percent protein and 50-percent carbohydrates, a.k.a. the veggie burger. In 1968, he won the Food for Peace Award in Paris, France, for this discovery. Today, soybean protein and its byproducts are used to help feed people around the world.

William not only excelled in the laboratory, but also in his personal life. William had a strong commitment to community and family, as an active member of Our Lady of Lourdes and the 55 Club of the church and a member of the St. Vincent DePaul Society. Last, but not least, he was the proud father of Dennis, Lois, Mary Beth, Ruth, and loving husband to Elizabeth for 57 years. William will be missed by family and friends, but will always be remembered for his many good works and his outstanding accomplishments.

LOBBYING REFORM

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 9, 1995

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise to urge all my colleagues to support a complete ban on gifts from special interest lobbyists. Since arriving in Congress, I've made it my office policy not to accept any gifts from lobbyists or allow any of my staff to do so. Earlier this year, I was one of 32 Members who signed a Common Cause pledge saying that lobbyist gifts were forbidden in my office. Every Member should take this pledge.

It's important because the American people continue to lose faith in Congress. In addition to the intense partisan bickering and gridlock that have become the hallmarks of this institution, Americans are appalled by the cozy relationship that exists between lobbyists and Members of Congress.

They perceive—often correctly—that Members ignore the needs of the average person while bending over backwards to meet the needs of monied special interests. They feel shut out, ignored, and disengaged from the democratic process.